

April 8, 1994

LB 923, 1310

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Any further discussion of the Bohlke amendment? Seeing none, Senator, do you wish to close? She waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Bohlke amendment to LB 1310. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Bohlke's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Bohlke amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Bohlke, I now have AM4157.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: I will withdraw that.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, any further amendments?

CLERK: Madam President, Senators Wickersham and Jones would move to amend. (AM3798 appears on page 1561 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. This amendment has been printed in the Journal. It is basically the contents of LB 923 with the addition of an amendment suggested by Senator Beutler. This is not a retirement bill and this is not a retirement amendment. So if you've gotten used to me droning on about those things, you will have an opportunity to hear me drone on about something else for just a few minutes. And what I want to talk about this morning on this particular amendment is school lands and Senator Chambers was confused when we had a handout passed around to you earlier. He thought it was a poem. It wasn't a poem at all, it has to do with the school lands that we have and the income that we receive from them. I think, as you are all aware, we have had school lands, those are lands held in trust for the support of the common schools in the State of Nebraska ever since the initial date of statehood. Originally, we had far greater lands than we have now. We had about 2.8 dol...2.8 million acres originally. We now have about 1.5 million acres left and you can see those detailed in the